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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS,TH, RP, TW, KS, ID

SUBJECT: STATUS OF GRANT MATERIAL REMOVED FROM CAMBODIA AND  
VIETNAM

JOINT STATE/DEFENSE MESSAGE

1. IN RECENT DAYS THERE HAVE BEEN INSTANCES WHERE DEFENSE  
ARTICLES FURNISHED CAMBODIA UNDER MAP OR VIETNAM UNDER  
MASF/DAV HAVE BEEN REMOVED BY PERSONS FLEEING FROM THOSE  
COUNTRIES AND TO OTHER COUNTRIES. THIS HAS OCCASIONED  
INQUIRIES FROM HOST GOVERNMENTS AND AMEMBASSIES AS TO THE  
STATUS AND DISPOSITION OF SUCH MAP OR DAV SOURCE MATERIEL.  
ACCORDINGLY, THE FOLLOWING IS INTENDED TO SERVE AS GENERAL  
BACKGROUND AND GUIDANCE TO ADDRESSEES IN EVENT THIS PROBLEM  
ARISES IN RESPECTIVE HOST COUNTRIES.

2. AS REQUIRED BY RELEVANT US STATUTES, MAP HAS BEEN  
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FURNISHED TO CAMBODIA AND DAV TO VIETNAM PURSUANT TO INTER-

NATIONAL AGREEMENTS WITH THE RESPECTIVE RECIPIENT GOVERNMENTS, WHICH AGREEMENTS PROVIDE INTER ALIA FOR THE RETURN TO USG FOR APPROPRIATE DISPOSITION OF ANY DEFENSE ARTICLES FURNISHED PURSUANT TO SUCH AGREEMENTS WHEN NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE RECIPIENT FOR THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH FURNISHED. ACCORDINGLY, USG RETAINS A REVERSIONARY INTEREST IN ALL RPT ALL MAP OR DAV MATERIEL FURNISHED TO CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM. ANY SUCH MATERIEL IS TO BE REGARDED AS SUBJECT TO RETURN TO THE USG (IF NOT IN FACT IN USG POSSESSION) FOR APPROPRIATE DISPOSITION. ANY FOREIGN GOVERNMENT WHICH COMES INTO POSSESSION OF SUCH ITEMS AND WHICH DOES NOT RETURN OR MAKE THEM AVAILABLE FOR RETURN TO USG POSSESSION WOULD BE LIABLE TO POTENTIAL USG CLAIM FOR THE VALUE THEREOF.

3. IT IS CLEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT WAYS IN WHICH THIS PROBLEM COULD MANIFEST ITSELF IN YOUR HOST COUNTRIES. ACCORDINGLY, ADDRESSEES REQUESTED NOTIFY STATE AND DEFENSE AT ONCE IF MAP OR DAV MATERIEL EXTRACTED FROM CAMBODIA OR VIETNAM IS BROUGHT INTO HOST COUNTRY, PROVIDING BEST ESTIMATE OF ITEMS, QUANTITIES, TYPES, CONDITION, LOCATION, AND ANY SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH MAY WARRANT SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS. EMBASSIES SHOULD MAKE HOST GOVERNMENT AWARE OF USG REVERSIONARY INTEREST IN SUCH MATERIEL, DRAWING ON PARA 2 ABOVE AS REQUIRED, AND ARE REQUESTED TO ASSIST CINCPAC IN ESTABLISHING CLAIM ON BEHALF OF USG TO SUCH MATERIEL AND IN TAKING POSITIVE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD AND REMOVE SUCH MATERIEL TO AREAS UNDER CINCPAC JURISDICTION PENDING DETERMINATION HERE OF DISPOSITION. ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO MAKE NO RPT NO COMMITMENTS REGARDING SUCH DISPOSITION IN ABSENCE FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. KISSINGER UNQUOTE

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